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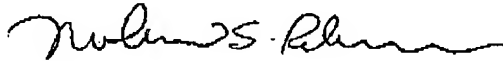
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

This amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed January 11, 2005 setting a
three-month statutory period for response. Therefore, this amendment is timely filed. Please
amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

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